

REMARKS

Rejoinder

Applicants acknowledge and appreciate rejoinder of claims 7-9.

Allowed claims

Applicants acknowledge and appreciate allowance of claims 1, 3-13 and 17.

Allowable subject matter

Applicants acknowledge and appreciate indication of allowable subject matter in claims 14-16. Parent claim 2 has been amended to include all limitations of claim 14 and any intervening claim. Allowance of claim 2 and any claims depending therefrom is respectfully requested.

Claims 2, 18, and 19:

Claims 2, 18, and 19 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicant Admitted Prior Art (AAPA), in view of Wei et al. (US6614677).

As noted above, claim 2 has been rewritten to include the limitations of claim 14, indicated as allowable.

Claim 18 has been amended to recite the limitations of claim 15, indicated as allowable. Accordingly, claim 18 is believed to be allowable.

Claim 19 depends from claim 18, and therefore is also believed to be allowable.

Claims 20-24:

Withdrawn claims 20-24 have been canceled.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss this matter further, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (408) 971-2573. For payment of any fees due in connection

with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2587 (Order No. SJ0920010089US3).

Respectfully submitted,

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